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Title: **METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR MODIFYING PRINT STREAM DATA  
TO ALLOW PRINTING OVER A SINGLE I/O PORT**

STATEMENT OF COMMON OWNERSHIP UNDER 35 USC §103(c)

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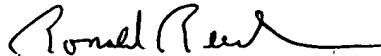
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Sir:

1. This Statement is to establish the ownership of the invention in this application as being the same as that of U.S. Patent 6,337,743B1 entitled "Method And System Of Print Stream Address Extraction" granted on January 8, 2002, that was cited by the Examiner, and to establish that the inventor named in this application is the prior inventor under 35 USC §104.
2. This Statement is submitted prior to a final rejection of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/541,001.
3. The above referenced U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/541,001 was filed on or after November 29, 1999.

4. United States Patent No. 6,337,743B1 was assigned to Pitney Bowes during April and May of 2000, and the Assignment was recorded in the USPTO on June 2, 2000, Reel 1, Frame 010860/0963.
5. At the time this Application was conceived, this Application and U.S. Patent No. 6,337,743B1, were commonly owned by or subject to an obligation of assignment to the same entity, namely, Pitney Bowes Inc.
6. During March 2000, the inventors of the above referenced application assigned their rights to Pitney Bowes Inc., and the Assignment was recorded in the USPTO on March 31, 2000, Reel 1/Frame 010718/0438.

Respectfully submitted,



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